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The Times' Daily Short Story.

A Conundrum.

A gentleman midway between birth a girl of eighteen. He was still young enough to be considered a companion for a young lady, though within a few years of the time when in calling upon interest in the agreement?"

one of them she would probably ask if he was looking for her father or mother. In this case the two had been friends for years. When the girl was a he desired a wedding with you." child and he in the twenties, she had been accustomed to climb into his lap else?" and hug him. She had got over that. They were sitting in the library of the wedding with him." girl's residence, she on a divan, he in were open, and a breeze blowing over | wished to marry?" the garden brought in a delicious per-

"You don't remember your mother, incy."

"No. You know she died when I was ing another question, "I should marry from her letters, many of which I have contract?" found and have read over and over

"Have you come among her papers upon a copy of a contract she made with me some fifteen or sixteen years not be likely to marry me."

No. What contract?" "If was between your mother and ment to me."

me and was to be kept secret." "Oh," with a slight toss of her head,

"I beg your pardon." that will depend upon circumstances."

"Indeed!"

gether in the garden. tween me and your mother that I told

you about. "And refused to say what it was." "There are conditions under which I may gratify your curlosity."

"Well, if you marry, for instance." "I'm sure my mother could not have entered upon any business agreement with you whereby you were to infu-

ence me to marry any particular per- fr." Influencing you in such a matter."

anything to do with it?" "Your parriage with any particular buby. person doesn't pertain. I meant that

in case you were simply married I might show you the contract." "Is there any one I might marry who cabinets in the house."

would have an futerest in this agree-If he could have looked into her eyes, he would have seen cunning. Evident- agreement?" ly there was something about the sub-

her inquiringly, but her head was bent over a flower she was plucking. "There is one," he said, "who if you

married him would have no interest in the agreement."

"You speak in riddles." A smile hovered about her lips, but and threescore years and ten sat with she kept her back to him, picking a handful of flowers. When she turned the smile was gone.

> "There is my cousin Will." she said. "If I married him, would be have any

"Not after the wedding." "But before the wedding?" "That would depend upon whether

"Would it depend upon anything "Yes; upon whether you desired a

"In other words, this contract would an easy chair. The windows and doors interest him (and me) only in case we

"You have drawn a conclusion not fume of flowers. The man was speak- based on proper foundations. In other words, you have perpetrated a fal-"Suppose," she went on after fram-

five. But it seems to me I know her you. Would you be interested in the He started and cast a quick glance

at her. Was she stating a hypothetical case for the purpose of trapping him?" "That, I fear-I mean-you would

"But if I should?" "The contract would be of no mo

"I like this conundrum," she said presently. "The solution is well concealed. Let me see-if I marry you'll Some day I may show it to you, but tell me the answer. My marriage with any particular person doesn't pertain. There is one I could marry who would A few weeks later the two were to- have no interest in the agreement. If I married Will, it would only interest "You remember, I suppose," said the him if he wished to marry me, and man, "the contract made years ago be even then it would make no difference. If I married you, you would have no

interest in it. What is there to base a "Nevertheless I wish you would

guess it. He spoke ruefully. She cast a giance even an inferior quality of table linen has happened." up at him.

"Suppose I try?"

"You can't guess it." "I can. The contract is that-here it

She pulled out a small paper that "Certainly not. I would not think of had been tucked in her belt and handed it to him. It was a betrothal be-"Then how can my marriage have tween her and her companion made for her by her mother when she was a

"I thought you said you had not found it." "I hadn't. After you told me about The girl pendered awhile, then said: it I ransacted all the old desks and (N. S.), 1130, to be libelous

"Well3"

She threw her arms about his neck, ject of their conversation that pro-SILVIA LEWIS BALDWIN.

Does Your

Roosevelt on Nature Stories.

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preservation of the useful and Evelyn Thaw Turns Down Stage antiful animal and bird life of the ntry depends largely upon creating the young an interest in the life of tace fact with fiction undo the work

Why Not?

"A large number of people keep on ig when they have coused thinkmys the Baltmore American, But You make a voiceless solitude

s skin of Benuty is a Joy Forever Pelix Gouraud's Oriental resm or Magical Beautifier. REFUSED OFFER.

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woods and fields. If the child mind have been printed here to the effect that termined effert. Birmingham Ledger. fed with stories that are false to a serious drain has been made on the ture, the children will go to the Thaw fortune to pay the enormous expenses of the animal only to meet with penses of the trial of the slayer of appointment. The result will be disand the death of interest. The cal people to believe that Evelyn Neshit who misinterpret nature and re- Than might return to the stage.

A Mistake.

hochelor has trouble about getting the away from peace congresses. It may holes in his stockings darned. When he well to keep an eye or two on the the bules begin to come in them, he Chineso.-Chicago Record-Herald. hest society?-Cleveland Plain throws them away and buys a new pair.-Somerville Journal.

Why is it that the movement countryward has increased so tremendously within the last five years? It is because thinking men and women are beginningto choose for themselves and whose very silence and taciturally heir children the real things of life, caused him the more closely covertly They are discarding the tove and tinsel and superficiality of city life; and are onewering the call—"Rack to Nature!", as far as circumstances will permit.

This tendency is one of the most bopeful signs of modern life. This tremendous pace which is set for the business man must be counterbalanced in was the fact. The Colossus had been some way. Already men are dropping in one of the moods in which he would out of the ranks by scores nervous not talk, and Frederick, though he had wrecks or worse-while the life-line of seen his portrait a hundred times, had

He Is Child, Fanatic and Emotional

THE JAPANESE.

Savage All In One. measured by American standards, he is land. He may be a Chesterfield and a cheerful liar one minute and a red Indian the next-a sycophant and a welsher today and a Napoleon tomor-

We westerners have been taught to tests in kowtowing, to suspending from the branches of the cherry tree his dainty poems addressed to his friends emonial ten, and when we see him un- special censure the absentee you and I have seen him in battle a ramping, raging tiger, greedy of Slav bayonets and afterward dragging himself to the field hospital shot to rags. self to the field hospital, shot to rags, gro unwhimpering, a mere bull hide wrap-

ped around a will. anese. So studied, the embattled brown boy strikes me as a strange compound of Little Lord Fauntleroy, Peter the Hermit and Sitting Bull-child, fanatic and emotionless savage, all in one.-Appleton's Magazine.

HOME HINTS.

To remove pencil marks from paint use a piece of lemon dipped in whiting. A small stiff brush should be used for cleaning all vegetables that grow underground. It will remove the dirt.

which often stains the bands. If half an inch of olive oil is poured on the top of a partly used bottle of olives and the bottle well corked, the olives will retain their flavor indefi-

flannel made to draw over the broom | became a tribe impatient. when sweeping gathers up the dust the room. The French have a way of making

look well without the aid of starch. When the napkins are washed and ready to be ironed, they are dipped into boiling water and partially wrung out between cloths. They are then rapidly ironed with as hot a flatiron as possible without burning them.

LAW POINTS.

A writing stating that a person had been bribed to testify as a witness is held in Atlanta News Publishing company versus Medleck (Ga.), 3 L. R. A. The mere denial of a contract by one

against whom it is sought to be enforced is held in Sprague versus Jessup "Do you stand by your mother's (Ore.), 4 L. R. A. (N. S.), 410, not to prevent its specific enforcement if the court is satisfied of the truth of the allegations of the complaint,

Mere words, however abusive and insulting, are held in state versus Buffington (Kan.), 4 L. R. A. (N. S.), 154. not to justify an assault nor to constitute a sufficient provocation to reduce to manslaughter what would otherwise be murder. The other cases on insulting words or conduct as a provocation to homicide are reviewed in a note to this case.

Current Comment.

Spasms of virtue and spasms of reform do no good. The only way to ef-London, May 23.-The stories that feet reform is by cool, persistent, de-Iceland would like a fing of her own and in even talking about independence. What would Iceland do as an

independent nation?-Buffalo Express. What a lot of bother would be saved The proprietor of a West and music the courts, lawyers, experts and the of those who in the lave of nature half has just received from Evelyn public by enacting a law making the it aright. From "Roozevelt Thaw a prompt rejection of his offer of commission of a murder prima facts Nature Fakirs," in the June an engagement at a large weekly evidence of the murderer's insanity.-Kansas City Star.

The Chinese are busy building up an army on European and American lines; It is a mistake to think that the also the Chinese are busy keeping

A Facila Identity.

Some of the best known people pass unrecognized by those to whom they should be known. Harold Frederick ant one night at dinner next a man to survey him. Not a word was exchanged between the two. "Who were that honeless kilot that I sat next to at dinner?" asked Frederick at the close of the meal. "That hopeless idlet was Cecil Bhodes," he was answered. It The Laborate the United States, Canada and Europe. the American business man is rapidly not recognized film.—St. James Ga-Film T. HOPFIRS, Prop. 37 Gran James Street, Rew York. shortening.—June Suburban Life. metre.

RUSSIANS

STIRRED

Radicals' Refusal to Congratulate Czar on His Escape

MAKES A DEEP IMPRESSION

Absentee Priests Censured-The Rossiya Declares the Three of Them Should Be Expelled From the Priesthood.

St. Petersburg, May 23,-The concerted absence from the lower house of Par- A iament of the four Radical groups dur-He is a bundle of contradictions, and, ing the formal announcement on May 20 of the discovery of the plot against the a bediamite, straight from topsy turvy life of Emperor Nicholas and their frank refusal to congratulate the emperor on satin. It is a very oriental looking

in court and government circles. The Rossiya returns to the attack toregard the little Jap as an amusing action of the Radicals as being openly and precoclous child given to obstruct- revolutionary and in strict harmony ing sidewalk traffic with his polite contests in kowtowing, to suspending from the branches of the cherry tree his denials of the Social Democrats that they are planning a general strike and an armed uprising for the coming sumand to dawdling for hours over the cer- mer." The Rossiya then singles out for der the tent flap, bowing and laughing Fathers Tikhvinsky. Brilliantoff and and playing checkers, he seems a vel- Kolokoenikoff, whose expulsion from the vet pawed kitten in khaki. And yet priesthood is declared to be imperative. The Novoe Vreyma points out that

Fifty-five Conservative deputies have addressed an open letter to President We never know a character until we Golovine, calling the attention of the have seen it put to the test under Russian people to the Radicale' "great stress-least of all the combination of act of disloyalty to the throne" in thus sphinx and Janus known as the Jap- absenting themselves from the House The police have made further arrests at Tsarsgon-Selo in connection with the aspiracy against the emperor, and have

found among the correspondence seizes letters from American anarchistry and Russian deserters in the United States. Premier Stolypin has refused the re-quest of the city council of St. Petersburg to be allowed to appear before the committee of the unemployed of the lower house of Parliament.

Superstitious. A well known New Yorker, while VISITING COWN OF MARQUISETTE-5623, dining at his club one evening, observed that his order of oysters on the of them that they suit almost all comonly eleven bivalves instead of the tive in pangee. dozen it was his custom to order. On

"See here," exclainted he to the waiteleven oysters when I order twelve, ostrich tips scattered through them This is the second time that this thin; "Sure, sir." quietly responded the

Celt, "I didn't think you would want to risk being thirteen at table, sir,"

When Life Is Wasted. Life is wasted every time one gives away to gloomy, selfish nugry or revengeful thoughts; when resentment or a grudge agalost man or fate is at lowed to find root in the heart; when the temper is let fly loose over a triffe when one goes to pieces nervously when obliged to repeat a remark and the voice is allowed to rise in anger when one forgets that a loose temper is a sign of vulgarity and lack of culture.-Philadelphia Press.

Where the Relief Would Be. Dr. Story, the late principal of Glasgow university, taking a holiday in the country once, was met by the minister of the district, who remarked; "Hello, principal! You here? Why, you must come and relieve me for a day." The principal replied, "I don't promise to relieve you, but I might relieve your congregation."

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FASHIONABLE HINTS

Gorgeous New Mantle - Apricot Shades Very Modish-Ruches. The maharajah mantle seems to be coming into vegue. It is of voluminous enpacity and has full draped sleeves of chiffon, the body being of his escape have made a deep impression wrap and is not destined to become

popular. become popular, and there are so many



are exceedingly attractive. The homemade ruches constructed

from plain net are often more effective than those seen at the shops. By putting on little rosettes and bowknots, which cost hardly anything, a really imposing neck piece may be fashloued. The gown illustrated is made of the new and favorite marguisette. It is pale gray in color, with applique trimming and a guimpe of cream lace. JUDIC CHOLLET.

Sagacity of the Ancients, Many quotations came from the works of Thates, the Greek philosopher and one of the seven wise men. It was words are a sign of prudent judgment," is most worthy," "There is nothing wall of the assembly hall." more beautiful than the world," "Time is the wisest thing, for it invents and discovers all things." He also said that It was the hardest thing in the world to know oneself and the easiest to admonish another. In his youth Thales was urged to marry, but he you do not like my verses?" said, "It is too soon," and later in life upon bging orged again he said, "It is

CHARGED TO THE BRITISH

Hindu Agitator Gets Heavy Sentence

WERE POISONED

Lautier Now Visiting the French Capital -It Is Thought That This May Result in Tariff Arrangement.

Labore, British India, May 23,-A Hindu revolutionist, who aroused the fanatics of the Punjab into a state of great excitement by circulating the funtastic statement that the alleged epidemic of the plague did not axist and that the 100,000 deaths weekly attranted to it were really caused by the poisoning of drinking wells by Govern-The apricot shades which have ap- ment emissaries, was sentenced today to day in three editorials, characterizing the peared in such variety are destined to 'two years' rigorous imprisonment. An accomplice who dropped harmless balls into the wells, alleging that he did so by order of the Government, was condemned to eighteen months' imprison-

> ment. The native editor of the newspaper India, published in the Punjab, is under arrest on grave charges of exciting dis affection. Bail has been refused to him,

FOR FRANCO-CANADIAN TARIFF. Premier Laurier Leaves London For

Paris. London, May 23,-Sir Wilfred Laurier premier of Canada, who has been at- So the army turned to the left at that, tending the Imperial Conference, left yesterday for Paris, where it is understood he will discuss the proposals for a new Franco-Canadian tarrif. The failure of the Imperial Colonial Conference to arninge a preferential tariff within the British empire is supposed to enable France to obtain more favorable terms from Canada.

THE SACRED CODFISH. Famous Emblem That Adorns th

Mossachusetts Statehouse. A codfish carved in wood hangs on the white mahogany wall of the Massachristin hall of representatives in the statehouse in Boston. Between two shell was not complete, there being plexions. They are particularly attrac- classic pillars it occupies a place of honor, directly opposite the desk of Net and chiffon ruches are clways the presiding officer. This wooden fish Well, that's the tale as 'twas told to reflecting that his waiter, an Irishman pretty and give just the right touch is the renowned original sacred codfish was a newcomer, he decided to let the to the frock. The marabou, coque or of the Old Colony, and it has assisted matter pass, but when on the next estrich box is warmer, but these are at the deliberations of the lawmakers A bag of heavy dark gray shaker evening the same thing occurred he always worn by some people. Some of of Massachusetts for more than a centhe new estrick and come bous are enve and a helf eathering sauctity year white on one side and colored on the by year. It is a relic of the old build and keeps it from flying all around er, "what do you mean by bringing me other. Little marabou neck pieces with ing which preceded the present statehouse, and great is the dignity of this souvenir of colonial art and industry.

> The following account of its origin is given in a Boston paper "Captain John Welch of Boston was the creator and carver of the celebrated fish. He was a wood carver of renown for his time and in 1747 estabbelonged to the Ancient and Honorable Artillery company and afterward became its captain. He was called upon to contribute to the decoration of the

colonial assembly hall, and as at that period codush was the colony's main article of export Captain Welch conceived the idea of immortalizing the king fish of the Massachusetts waters. he who said, "Know thyseit," "Few When completed the carving was fintahed off and colored so as to be a fac "Search after wisdom and choose what simile of life and was hung on the

The Worm Turned. "Am I to understand, then," asked a disappointed poet as the editor hand-"Yes; I don't think much"-

Favorite Prescription.

Dr. John Fyls one of the Editorial Staff of The Eclectic Medical. Review, says of Unicorn root (Metonics Diodes) which is one of the chief ingredients of the "Favorite Prescription":

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The True Story. A guy looked into a shoe-shine shop To beg for a yard of prunes; But the Adjutant-General hollered:

And the hostler yelled: "What Joons!"

And Sophy cheered and tossed up her From her seat in the new grand stands. All Europe shook at the grisly news,

And the Queen said, "Pil resign," But the officer hissed: "Stand back, And the monk said;: "Half past 9," Peru thus fell, and my friends and I, We dired that night in Rome. "So Jim went mad?" said they with a

But the waiter whispered, "No'm." So I married her aunt next morn at 8, While the best man married May, And we stole two pounds from the

But the bon'n swam away. My grandfather saw it all;

young first mate

Twas the Sultan himself, my dears, that she Had kissed at the embassy ball. -- Richmond Times-Dispatch.

WHEAT HIGHER.

Breaks Year's Record and Jumps to 1.051/4. Chicago, May 23 .- Avoid the wildest

nes yet presented on the Chicago Board of Trade at its opening yesterday morning, December wheat took the biggest jump in the present campaign. lished his business in Dock square. He It started at 1.05% at the very opening of the pit

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